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ROAD CONSTRUCTION CAMBODIA/LAOS BORDER AREA 1427N 10623E

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1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD REVEALS THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SECTION OF A NEW ROAD IN CAMBODIA AND IMPROVEMENTS TO BAN SAN KEO AIRFIELD (BE

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2. LOCATION:

THE AREA DEPICTED ON THIS GRAPHIC IS LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 19 NM NORTH OF SIEM PANG, CAMBODIA, ON THE SOUTH BANK OF THE TONLE KONG (RIVER), KNOWN AS THE SE KONG IN LAOS. THE RIVER AT THIS POINT IS THE BOUNDARY BETWEEN CAMBODIA AND LAOS.

3. BACKGROUND/COLLATERAL:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD, WHEN USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH NPIC BRIEFING BOARDS K-7520, K-7579, K-758C, L-1025, L-1026, AND L-1037, DEPICTS VARIOUS STAGES IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE ROAD THAT EXTENDS GENERALLY NORTH AND NORTHEAST, ALONG THE EAST BANK OF THE TONLE KONG, FROM CAMBODIA ROUTE 15 TO THE CAMBODIA/LAOS BORDER. THE ROAD, DESIGNATED AS ROUTE 110 IN LAOS, EXTENDS NORTH AND EAST TO LAOS ROUTE 96, AND THEN SOUTHEAST TO ITS TERMINUS 1.5 NM NORTH OF THE CAMBODIA BORDER, NEAR THE TRI-BORDER AREA OF LAOS, CAMBODIA, AND SOUTH VIETNAM.

THIS ROAD SYSTEM, SOMETIMES REFERRED TO AS THE "SIHANOUK TRAIL",

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	WAS FIRST OBSERVED UNDER CONSTRUCTION NORTH OF SIEM PANG, CATBODIA, ON	
	PHOTOGRAPHY OF THE COMPLETED ALIGNMENT, INCLUDING	25X1
	LAOS ROUTE 110, WAS OBSERVED ON PHOTOGRAPHY OF	25X1
4.	MISSION READOUT:	
	REVEALS THE INITIAL	25X1
	CLEARING OPERATIONS FOR THE ROAD; THE COMPLETED ROAD WAS OBSERVED	
	JUST SOUTH OF BAN SAN KEO AIRFIELD ON PHOTOGRAPHY OF	25X1
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	RUNWAY RESURFACING HAS BEEN INITIATED AT BAN SAN KEO AIRFIELD	
	ON THE PHOTOGRAPHY, AND IS OBSERVED ON ALMOST THE	25X1
	FULL LENGTH OF THE RUNWAY ON THE PHOTOGRAPHY OF	25X1
	ALSO NOTED ON THIS DATE ARE MOTORIZED RIVER CRAFT NEAR DON FAI	
	ISLAND. LARGE NUMBERS OF THESE CRAFT HAVE PREVIOUSLY BEEN OBSERVED	
	ON THE TONLE KONG, FROM SIEM PANG TO THE AREA NORTH OF BAN SAN KEO	
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